# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
# LOK SABHA

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ALLOCATION FOR RESEARCH IN CONSUMER SAFETY
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**Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:**

(a) whether any allocation has been made for research in consumer safety issues during the current financial year;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details regarding research projects undertaken during the said period?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI TASLIMUDDIN)

(a) to (c): A scheme on promoting involvement of Research Institutions/Universities/ Colleges etc. in consumer protection and consumer welfare was launched in 2004. The scheme was launched with a view to sponsor research and evaluation studies in the field of consumer welfare, to provide solution to the practical problems being faced by the consumers, to sponsor seminars/workshops/conferences on the consumer related issues and to have necessary inputs for formulation of policy/programme/scheme for the protection and welfare of consumer. Indian Institute of Public Administration, New Delhi has been identified as the nodal organization to administer this scheme. During the current financial year an amount of Rs. 45,39,700/- has been sanctioned to the Indian Institute of Public Administration, New Delhi for disbursement to 17 institutions under this project.